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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicants hereby cite the following references:

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Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). Reference A1 is discussed in the present specification. Applicants are also submitting an English abstract of reference A1. Reference A2-A4 were cited in an International Search Report issued in PCT/JP03/12509, from which this application is being nationalized. References A2-A4 are all in Japanese. For reference A2, Applicants are submitting an English abstract. For reference A3 and A4, Applicants are submitting copies of EP

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Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

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